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TAGS: EINV, EIND, EMIN, SL

SUBJECT: BETHSTEEL INTEREST IN SL IRON ORE

DURING CONVERSATION WITH AMBASSADOR ON ANOTHER
MATTER APRIL 1, PRESIDENT STEVENS RAISED DELC
BAIL-OUT. THE PRESIDENT INDICATED THAT HE WAS
PLEASED TO HAVE BETHLEHEM BECOME PARTNERS IN
MARAMPA MINE BUT HE INDICATED ONE POSSIBLE HANGUP.
GOSL INTENDED TO SPLIT TONKOLILI CONCESSION FROM
MARAMPA OPERATION. DELCO HAD HELD TOKOLILI CONCES-
SION FOR FORTY YEARS AND HAD DONE NOTHING. SIERRA LEONE
HAD SUFFERED AS A RESULT. GOSL COULD NO LONGER TOLERATE
SUCH DELAYS WITH THEIR DEVELOPMENT. IF BETHSTEEL WERE
INTERESTED IN TONKOLILI, GOSL HAPPY TO NEGOTIATE WITH
THEM FOR NEW CONCESSION THERE.
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